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SUBJECT: CHILEAN DIPLOMATIC MISSION

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1. FOREIGN MINISTER ALEJANDRO MONTIEL PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED THE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 17 THAT THE GON HAS EXTENDED RECOGNITION TO THE MILITARY JUNTA IN CHILE. THE NICARAGUAN NOTE TO THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR IN NICARAGUA WAS DELIVERED THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 17 IN ANSWER TO A CHILEAN EMBASSY NOTE DELIVERED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY SEPTEMBER 14.

2. FOLLOWING WAS REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT IN MANAGUA 3764 BUT IS REPEATED FOR SANTIAGO INFORMATION: QUOTE THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR TO NICARAGUA, RETIRED CARABINERO GENERAL EDUARDO LEMA MOLINA, HAS BEEN QUITE GENEROUS IN GRANTING INTERVIEWS TO LOCAL REPORTERS IN WHICH HE HAS REMINISCED ABOUT HIS FRIENDSHIP WITH SALVADOR ALLENDE. HE HAS DECLINED, HOWEVER, TO COMMENT ON THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHILE OTHER THAN TO NOTE THAT TWO LEADERS OF THE COUP ARE ALSO PERSONAL ACQUAINTANCES OF HIS. GON FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE SAID GENERAL LEMA HAS NO INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER HE WILL CONTINUE IN HIS POST IN NICARAGUA. END QUOTE.

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